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In re the PATENT application of

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Serial No.: 09/884,479

Filed: June 20, 2001

For: Method and Apparatus for Laser Protection of Photosensitive Material

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the subject application are a Notice to File Missing Parts, Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts; a Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages), and Check #5177 in the amount of \$1,332.00 in payment of the basic filing fee, extra claims fee and surcharge fee.

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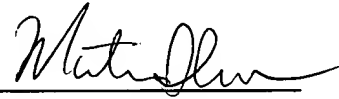
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| <u>TOTAL CLAIMS</u>       | <u>34</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>20</u> | <u>=</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>Extra x 18</u> | <u>=</u> | <u>\$ 252.00</u>  |
| <u>INDEPENDENT CLAIMS</u> | <u>6</u>  | <u>-</u> | <u>3</u>  | <u>=</u> | <u>3</u>  | <u>Extra x 80</u> | <u>=</u> | <u>\$ 240.00</u>  |
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required for the above-identified application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-0460.

Respectfully submitted,



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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated August 15, 2001, enclosed for filing in the subject application are Notice to File Missing Parts, an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages) and Check #5177 in the amount of \$1,332.00 in payment of the basic filing fee, extra claims fee and surcharge fee.

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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| 02 FC:103 | 252.00 OP |
| 03 FC:102 | 240.00 OP |
| 04 FC:105 | 130.00 OP |

Filing Date Granted

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$492.
  - \$252 for 14 total claims over 20.
  - \$240 for 3 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1332.**

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